



Open Call for Papers

Special Issue on "The Microeconomics of Development in the Pacific"

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Asia & the Pacific Policy Studies is planning a special issue on "The Microeconomics of Development in the Pacific". A call for papers is open for the issue.

Many countries and territories in the Pacific have relatively high poverty by global standards, high levels of informality, relatively stagnant or resource-dependent economic growth, and severe exposure to climate change. Several are fragile states. Relative to other regions, the Pacific also has less rigorous quantitative evidence to guide policy. The potential for rigorous empirical, policy-relevant development research in the Pacific is high. Papers submitted to the special issue are expected to make a significant contribution to empirical research in the region (defined as Timor-Leste, Papua New Guinea, and remaining Pacific Community members excluding the US, New Zealand, UK, France, and Australia), preferably using microdata (e.g., household-level, firm-level, etc. datasets) and experimental or quasi-experimental micro-econometric methods for causal inference. Potential applied topics that might be covered include but are not limited to child development, education, employment, agriculture, poverty, migration, economic shocks and resilience, climate change, gender, conflict and violence, and so forth.

This call follows from the Workshop on the Microeconomics of Development that took place at the Australian National University on 14–15 February 2024, but new submissions are most welcome and in fact, encouraged.

Ryan Edwards (ANU), Dil Rahut (ADBI), and Daniel Suryadarma (ADBI) will serve as guest co-editors, and the special issue will be published in late 2024.

Submission Guidelines

Manuscripts should be original contributions and adhere to [Asia & the Pacific Policy Studies' Author Guidelines](#).

All submissions will undergo a peer-review process to ensure the highest quality and relevance. Authors must submit their papers at <https://wiley.atyponrex.com/journal/app5> and select the special issue title: "Microeconomics of Development in the Pacific" from the dropdown menu when asked whether the submission is for a particular special issue.

Important Dates

- Submission Deadline: 30 March 2024
- Notification of Acceptance: 30 August 2024
- Publication of Special Issue: Late 2024

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